

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. \_\_\_\_\_**  
**OFFERED BY MR. RIGELL OF VIRGINIA**

At the end of title VI, insert the following:

1   **SEC. 6\_\_\_\_. GAO REVIEW OF COSTS AND DEPLOYMENT OF**  
2                           **VISA SECURITY PROGRAM OPERATIONS AND**  
3                           **PERSONNEL.**

4           (a) STUDY.—Not later than 18 months after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of  
6 the United States shall submit to the appropriate congres-  
7 sional committees a report that analyzes and compares the  
8 costs and benefits of assigning Department of Homeland  
9 Security employees to diplomatic and consular posts under  
10 section 428(e)(1) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002  
11 (6 U.S.C. 236(e)(1); commonly referred to as the “Visa  
12 Security Program” of United States Immigration and  
13 Custom Enforcement (ICE)).

14           (b) REQUIRED DATA.—The report required under  
15 subsection (a) shall include a detailed assessment of the  
16 following:

17                   (1) The scope of homeland security functions  
18 carried out by ICE Visa Security Program personnel  
19 at diplomatic and consular posts.

1           (2) The initial cost for establishing an ICE Visa  
2       Security Program unit or deploying ICE Visa Secu-  
3       rity Program personnel at a diplomatic or consular  
4       post.

5           (3) The annual cost for maintaining an ICE  
6       Visa Security Program unit or deploying ICE Visa  
7       Security Program personnel at a diplomatic or con-  
8       sular post.

9           (4) The annual cost for utilizing temporary  
10      duty personnel as ICE Visa Security Program per-  
11      sonnel at a diplomatic or consular post in compari-  
12      son to the cost of permanently assigned personnel.

13          (5) The annual costs of assigning ICE Visa Se-  
14      curity Program personnel domestically as compared  
15      to the costs specified in paragraphs (2) and (3).

16          (6) The feasibility of whether ICE Visa Secu-  
17      rity Program personnel assigned domestically could  
18      carry out remotely some or all of the functions or  
19      duties described in paragraph (1).

20          (7) Whether ICE Visa Security Program per-  
21      sonnel at a diplomatic or consular post could per-  
22      form some or all of the functions described in para-  
23      graph (1) for additional nearby diplomatic or con-  
24      sular posts.

1           (8) The extent to which ICE Visa Security Pro-  
2       gram personnel are completing duties associated  
3       with the Visa Security Program as compared to  
4       other ICE priorities and functions.

5           (9) Whether the Department has the capability  
6       to track the performance of ICE Visa Security Pro-  
7       gram personnel, on an individual or country-by-  
8       country basis, based on the numbers of visas grant-  
9       ed to individuals who overstayed their visas, com-  
10      pared with the overall number of visa applications  
11      processed.

12      (c) OFFSET.—Section 428(e)(4) of the Homeland Se-  
13      curity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 236(e)(4)) is repealed.

14      (d) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Paragraphs (5)  
15      through (8) of section 428(e) of the Homeland Security  
16      Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 236(e)) are redesignated as para-  
17      graphs (4) through (7), respectively.

